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Curriculum vitae of the candidate nominated by national groups

Note by the Secretary-General

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I. INTRODUCTION

The Secretary-General has the honour to submit to the General Assembly and the Security Council the curriculum vitae of the candidate nominated by national groups for the election to fill a casual vacancy in the International Court of Justice caused by the death, on 28 September 1994, of Judge Nikolai Konstantinovitch Tarassov (Russian Federation). The name of the candidate nominated for this election has been circulated in document A/49/828-S/1995/34. The composition of the Court and the voting procedures to be followed in the General Assembly and in the Security Council are contained in a memorandum by the Secretary-General issued as document A/49/827-S/1995/33.

II. CURRICULUM VITAE

VERESCHETIN, Vladlen Stepanovich

(Russian Federation)

Born on 8 January 1932 at Briansk, USSR.

Married, one daughter.

Current professional and public activity

I. Deputy Director and Head of the International Law Department of the Institute of State and Law, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow (1981-present).

Chairman of the United Nations International Law Commission (May 1994-present), member of the Commission (since 1992).

II. Vice-President of the Russian (formerly Soviet) Association of International Law (1985-present).

Chairman of the Scientific Council on International and Comparative Law at the Institute of State and Law, Russian Academy of Sciences (1981-present).

Member, Permanent Court of Arbitration at The Hague (1984-present).

Vice-President, Honourary Director of the International Institute of Space Law (1978-present).

Member, Policy and Finance Committee of the International Law Association (1990-present).

Vice-President of the Russian (formerly Soviet) United Nations Association (1984-present).

Positions previously held

Staff member of the Presidium of the USSR Academy of Sciences (1958-1967).

First Vice-Chairman and Legal Counsel, Intercosmos, USSR Academy of Sciences (1967-1981).

Professor of International Law at the University of Friendship of Peoples (1979-1982).

Member or head of the USSR delegations to the United Nations Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space and its Legal Subcommittee (1979-1990).

Distinguished Visiting Professor, Holder of the Brennan Chair of Law at the Law School of the University of Akron, United States of America (1991).

Legal education and other types of teaching and academic activity

Graduated from the International Law Faculty of the Moscow Institute of International Relations (1954).

Post-graduate studies in international law at the same Institute (1955-1958).

Candidate of Juridical Sciences (1959).

Doctor of Juridical Sciences (1976).

Professor of International Law (1982).

Has given lecture courses and individual lectures on the theory of international law, the peaceful settlement of international disputes, the law of the sea, outer space law and the law of international organizations at the Institute of International Relations, the Diplomatic Academy and the University of Friendship of Peoples (Moscow), the Sverdlovsk Juridical Institute, the Institute of International Public Law and International Relations (Thessaloniki, Greece), the European University Institute (Florence, Italy), the Universities of Akron and Mississippi (United States) and the Institute of International Private and Public Law (The Hague, Netherlands).

Has presented papers on different international law subjects at many international congresses and conferences.

Member of the editorial boards of the Russian Law Journal, the European Journal of International Law (Italy) and the Journal of Space Law (United States).

Awards and decorations

USSR national orders: "Badge of Honour" (1967), "Friendship of Peoples" (1975), "October Revolution" (1981).

Award of the International Academy of Astronautics for services in the field of social sciences (1987).

Honourary Awards of the German Academy of Sciences at Berlin (1978) and the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences (1979).

Main publications

I. Books

"Freedom of Navigation on the High Seas", Moscow, 1958 (in Russian).

"Outer Space, Cooperation, Law", Moscow, 1974 (in Russian).

"International Cooperation in Outer Space (Legal Issues)", Moscow, 1977 (translated into English in the United States in 1981).

"Legal Problems of Manned Space Flights", Moscow, 1986 (in Russian). Editor and co-author.

"Prevention of an Arms Race in Outer Space (International Legal Aspects)", Geneva, 1966 (in English).

"The Comprehensive System of International Security and International Law", Moscow, 1987 (in Russian). Editor and co-author.

"New Developments in Space Law", Moscow, 1990 (in Russian). Editor and co-author.

"Perestroika and International Law, Current Anglo-Soviet Approaches to International Law" (in English), Edinburgh, 1990. Co-author.

"International Law" (university text-book), ed. G. Tunkin, 1982 (first ed.), 1994 (second ed.), 1990 (edition in English). Co-author.

"From Co-existence to Cooperation. International Law and Organization in the Post-Cold-War Era" (in English), the Netherlands, 1991. Co-editor and co-author.

"International Law", seven-volume course, Moscow, 1989-1993 (in Russian). Deputy Editor-in-Chief of the Course, editor of the fifth volume, co-author.

II. More than 150 articles in law journals and contributions to collective works on the theory of international law, the law of the sea, space law, state responsibility, international criminal law and constitutional law in Russia, Bulgaria, Canada, France, Germany, India, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States and other countries. Among the most recent: "International Law in an Interdependent World" (with R. Mullerson), in Columbia Journal of Transnational Law, 1990; "The 'Common Legal Field' of the Contemporary World", in Soviet Journal of International Law, 1991; "Open Skies: The Metamorphosis of a Concept" (essays in honour of Henry A. Wassenbergh), 1992; "An International Criminal Court: New Prospects?", in Moscow Journal of International Law, 1993; "Environmental Risks Arising out of Space Activities and their Legal Mitigation", in Diritto dello spazio. Resenti sviluppi e prospettive, Padova, 1994; "New Developments in the Codification of the Law of State Responsibility", in Russian Yearbook of International Law, 1994; and "Some Observations on the New Proposal on Dispute Settlement", in European Journal of International Law, 1994.